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ABSTRACT

The annual State Library Agencies (STLA) Survey is a cooperative effort between the Chief Officers of State Library Agencies (COSLA), the U.S. National Commission on Libraries and Information Science (NCLIS), and the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). The survey provides state and federal policy-makers, researchers, and other interested users with description information about STLAs in the 50 United States and the District of Columbia for fiscal year 1995. STLA survey data, along with the results of other NCES data collections, provides a national profile of libraries and information service. The survey file contains data on governance, public service hours, number and types of service outlets, type and size of collections, library service transactions and development transactions, support of electronic information networks, allied operations, staff, and income and expenditures. Data is also collected on STLA services to public, academic, school, and special libraries, and to library systems. (Author/AEF)

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